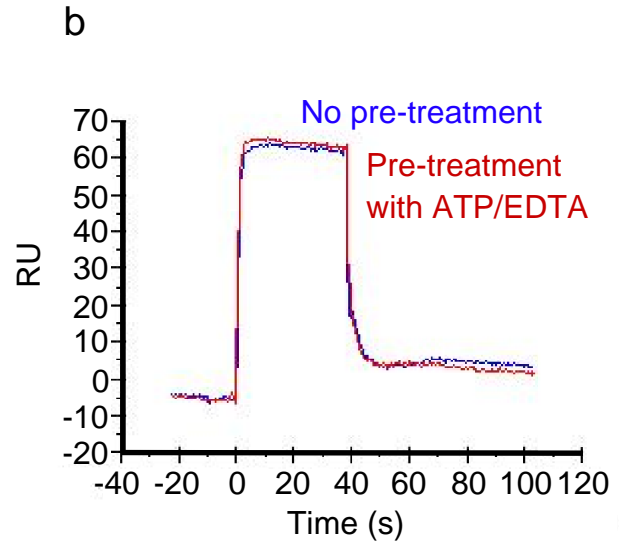
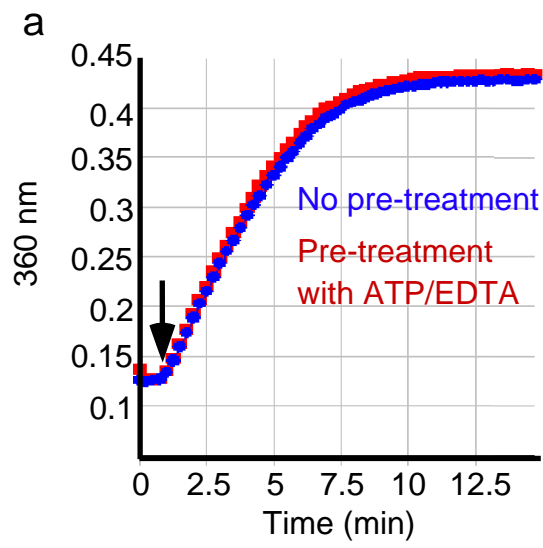


Supplementary Figure 1.

Figure 1. Interaction of BtuCD and BtuCD-F with nucleotides. (a) Binding of ATP: BtuCD (red curves) or BtuCD-F (blue curves) were subjected to size exclusion chromatography in the presence (solid lines) or absence (dashed lines) of 1mM ATP, 50 μ M EDTA. Where applicable, ATP and EDTA were present in both the sample and column buffers. Absorbance was measured at 260 nm and 280 nm. The 260/280 nm absorbance ratios were calculated by integrating of the area of the protein peaks and compared to expected values obtained by adding a 2-fold molar excess of ATP to BtuCD or to BtuCD-F and measuring their 260/280 nm absorbance ratio in a spectrophotometer. (b) ATP hydrolysis: maximal ATPase rates were determined for BtuCD (red), BtuCD-F (blue), and BtuCD-F in the presence of 50 μ M vitamin B₁₂ (green). Apparent K_m's were calculated by applying simple Michaelis-Menten kinetics. (c) Inhibition of ATP hydrolysis by ADP: maximal rates of hydrolysis of 30 μ M ATP in the presence of the indicated ADP concentrations were measured for BtuCD (red), BtuCD-F (blue), and BtuCD-F in the presence of 50 μ M vitamin B₁₂ (green). The apparent K_{i(ADP)} for the three samples was quite similar, in the range of 25-50 μ M ADP. (d) Inhibition of BtuCD ATPase activity by ortho-vanadate: maximal rates of hydrolysis of 1 mM ATP were measured in the presence of the indicated ortho-vanadate concentrations.



Supplementary Figure 2.

Figure 2. Reversibility of BtuCD inhibition by ATP/EDTA: (a) ATP hydrolysis assays: BtuCD was incubated for 10 minutes at 37C° with buffer supplemented with 50 μ M EDTA, 1mM ATP (red). The ATPase activity of this sample was compared with an identical sample that was not incubated with ATP/EDTA (blue). Hydrolysis was initiated by addition of 2.5mM MgCl₂ (indicated by an arrow), and measured by using Molecular Probes® EnzCheck® kit, monitoring absorbance at 360 nm. (b) Biacore experiment; Two identical BtuCD samples were immobilized onto a Ni-NTA chip and washed for 5 minutes with buffer (blue) or buffer supplemented with 50 μ M EDTA, 1mM ATP (red). Both samples were then washed for 5 more minutes with buffer devoid of additives. At time zero, 5 μ M BtuF, 300 μ M vitamin B₁₂, were injected to both flow-cells.

Supplementary methods

Determination of 260/280 nm absorbance ratios: Purified BtuCD or BtuCD-F were subjected to size exclusion chromatography on a Superdex200 gel filtration column in the presence or absence of 1mM ATP, 50 μ M EDTA (in both sample and column buffers). Absorbance was measured at 260 nm and 280 nm. The 260/280 nm absorbance ratios were calculated by integrating of the area of the protein peaks using the AKTA™ control and analysis software Unicorn™.

ATP hydrolysis assays, inhibition of ATP hydrolysis by ADP, and inhibition of ATP hydrolysis by ortho-vanadate: ATP hydrolysis was measured using Molecular Probes® EnzCheck® kit, at 37C°, in a 96-well format, according to the manufacturer's specifications. To initiate hydrolysis, 2.5mM MgCl₂ was injected to a solution containing 0.35 μ M BtuCD in 25 mM Tris-HCl pH 7.5, 0.5M NaCl, 0.1% LDAO, 50 μ M EDTA, and the indicated ATP concentration. Where applicable, 1.4 μ M BtuF, and/or 50 μ M vitamin B₁₂, or ADP, or ortho-vanadate were also present.